PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2203, ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 1998

JULY 23, 1997.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. Hastings of Washington, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 194]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 194, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 2203, the "Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill, 1998" under an open rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The rule waives clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations and legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) and clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in an appropriations bill) of rule XXI against the bill.

Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration will be given priority in recognition to offer their amendments if otherwise consistent with House rules. The rule allows the Chair to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes, provided voting time on the first in any series of questions shall not be less than 15 minutes.

Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.